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SUBJ: DUBAI DRY DOCK PROJECT

REF: ABU DHABI 1288

1. EMBOFF WAS CALLED BY MCMULLEN REP SAVERIO CINA WHO TEMPORARILY LOCATED IN KUWAIT IN CONNECTION WITH ARAB MARITIME PETROLEUM TRANSPORT COMPANY BUSINESS SEPT 17. CINA ASKED EMBOFF IF WE HAD ANY NEWS OF DUBAI DRY DOCK PROJECT SINCE IN LOCAL NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS HE SAW NO MENTION WAS MADE OF MCMULLEN ROLE.

2. EMBOFF PROVIDED CINA WITH GIST REFTEL AND READ HIM OVER PHONE ARTICLE WHICH APPEARED IN SEPT 13 FINANCIAL TIMES. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE MCMULLEN WILL HAVE 15 PERCENT OWNERSHIP IN DRY DOCK COMPANY ALONG WITH GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI AND GALADARI BROS. HOWEVER, ARTICLE QUOTES UAE AMBASSADOR IN LONDON MAHDI AL-TAJIR AS SAYING IT HAS NOT REPEAT NOT BEEN DECIDED WHO WILL RUN DRY DOCK AND THAT DUBAIANS CONSIDERING NUMBER OF OFFERS FROM US, BRITAIN, HOLLAND, PORTUGAL AND JAPAN.

3. CINA SAID THAT WHILE IN LONDON, FEW DAYS BEFORE ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE, HE SAW FRIEND AT TAYLOR WOODROW WHO CLAIMED HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF WHERE DRY DOCK PROJECT STOOD. CINA SAID THAT AMBASSADOR

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TAJIR'S REMARKS ARE DISTURBING, PARTICULARLY SINCE NO MENTION WAS

MADE IN DUBAI DRY DOCK SIGNATURE CEREMONY OF MCMULLEN ROLE AS  
CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR.

4. ASSUME COMMERCE WILL GET IN TOUCH WITH MCMULLEN IN NEW YORK,  
BUT WE ALSO INTEND ADVISE CINA TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HIS HOME  
OFFICE.  
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